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AMERICANS ASLEEP SAYS WILLARD TAYLOR

Wants Students to Furnish Midd Ambulance for Service at the Front

We are growing so accustomed to the horrors of this war as recounted in the newspapers that little impression is made by fresh reports that come in from time to time. It is well, now and then, to get a more vivid account which will strike home the great seriousness of it all and the vital reality of our own relation to it. The following communication from Willard G. Taylor '20 who is in the ambulance service in France is of such a nature.

To the Readers of The Middlebury Campus:

I have hesitated before writing this letter to The Campus for the main reason that I feel all magazines and papers contain so much war material and editorials that the readers of the college paper may prefer to have their paper left only for college notes, but on the other hand I cannot help feeling that all papers of every type should contain war articles, for if speeches, personal appeals, letters, and every casualty list cannot wake up our big nation, what is going to move us as a people?

Friends, as I start this letter I find it to be one of the hardest things I ever attempted. I have so much to tell you, so much to try and make you see, and with such a very small power to reveal it, as a member of the class of 1920 of Middlebury College I appeal to you as a student body to do some one thing for your country, to raise money for an ambulance, or do some thing that will help in this great war. Other colleges have given ambulance Fords (which, by the way, are best), and you can do it. How would I like to be driving my "871" with a sign on the side, "*Given by Middlebury College, Vermont*", instead of the sign, "*The Tavern Club of Ohio*"! It would be one of the heights of my ambition to see that car in the thick of the shell fire through which we have to drive.

No human being can make the people in the good old states of America realize what this war is. America is asleep. You may feel that you can quickly refer to our training camps, our Liberty Bonds, and our preparations, but I cannot help laughing at any argument any one in the States could put up to me, now that I have been here and seen. What will America do when the casualty lists of thousands come back across the water? Then is when the people will start to be aroused. That will bring everything closer home; but as it is now, they read the newspapers telling of the attack of the English at Ypres, the French at Soissons, etc., with losses of thousands, yet it means nothing to them only that there is a big war on. This is true, every word of it, and if only these readers could be here, could only open their eyes and see, that would be all. My eyes were closed, for I was like the rest, simply interested as an American and not inclined at first to believe newspaper articles or editorials. I felt they were exaggerated and not real proofs of the war. But from the time that I stepped onto French soil at Bordeaux and entered the railroad station at three o'clock in the morning I have realized, and if I could say it, would say I have now more than realized it all. Men were lying on seats or tables or radiators and in every corner of the place, just dead to the world, tired, torn wretches, their faces drawn out almost inhuman looking. Some had not even unslung their packs from their shoulders but simply fell down and slept.

I walked around the dimly-lighted place with a man from Cornell. We looked over

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ALTERNATIVE BASIS FOR Y. W. C. A. MEMBERSHIP

Amendment to National Constitution Offered As Fairer Method of Admission

At the regular Y. W. C. A. meeting held Thursday afternoon in the old chapel, the term "New Membership Basis" was explained by Helen Stilphen. If the movement in favor of the "New Membership Basis" is successful it will result in an amendment to the constitution of the National Y. W. C. A. by which any woman student, who declares her belief in Jesus Christ as her Savior, may become an active member of the organization regardless of any church affiliation.

This question is worthy of the careful consideration of every Y. W. C. A. member for the decision will be important.

Does it not seem that every girl in our college should be given equal rights in our Association? Are the girls, who are members of evangelical churches and therefore eligible to active membership under the present system the only ones who can help us or who need the influence and interest which such an organization extends?

Often girls of college age have not joined a church but there are many reasons for this. Possibly they have not been reared in homes where religion was a potent factor. There are also many denominations from which to choose and some do not feel justified in making a choice until they understand which will best meet their needs. These are the deep-thinking, earnest girls, whom we need.

On the other hand, many girls have early joined some church as a matter of course and their religion is not a vital factor in their lives. It does not seem fair to admit these girls to membership, while excluding those who in their hearts are much truer Christians.

Shall we not extend our basis of membership requirements to broader dimensions and welcome those whom we know to be firm believers in Jesus Christ and earnest workers where his needs are at stake?

The proposed amendment provides for this as an alternative basis so that those student Associations who so desire may retain their present basis, while permitting the broader basis to those who feel that it will bring about a larger field of usefulness. It is hoped that every member of the Association will inform herself upon this question in order that the Middlebury Association may vote upon it intelligently before the time of the National Conference, to which we are entitled to send a delegate.

Outing Club Hike

On the Outing Club hike last Saturday afternoon, a small party hiked from Hepburn Hall to the tower of Grand View Mountain. The trip took exactly four hours. They believe that this is a record, and they challenge any group to better it. Such hikes will be frequent occurences, and everyone is urged to come out and have a share in the enjoyment which can be obtained from such a trip.

DEUTSCHER VEREIN ADOPTS CONSTITUTION

New Basis to Counteract Unfairness Toward Things German

On the evening of November 16 the last year's members of Deutscher Verein met at Professor Skillings' to discuss plans for the winter. A new constitution was submitted by Marguerite Rogers as chairman of a committee appointed last spring for that purpose. After considerable discussion it was adopted. Election of officers took place. Ruth A. Hesselgrave was re-elected president; Alice M. Chynoweth was elected vice-president; and Marguerite Rogers, secretary-treasurer. Meetings will be held bi-monthly on Tuesday evenings until the end of April.

Under the new constitution, membership has been placed upon an honorary basis, in accordance with which the following four new members have been elected: Ruby E. Bruffee '20, Alice K. Fuller '18, Leon F. Jackson '20, and Gertrude V. Moore '20.

The following declaration is made by the Verein: "At the time of the present great world conflict, the Deutscher Verein of Middlebury College wishes to reaffirm its previously expressed adherence to the principles set fourth by President Wilson in his message to Congress and in his reply to the Pope's note. It is the purpose of the Verein to use its influence against the growing intolerance toward everything German, and to strive to manifest a strong discriminating spirit."

Letter From Lang

The following extract from a letter dated October 30, which Fred P. Lang '17 sent to Professor Robinson, will be of especial interest to our readers. We do not often receive news directly from aviators whom we can call our own. Lang is located at the Naval Aero Station, Bay Shore, N. Y.

"As for myself, I am very busy indeed. Sunday is included in our schedule as a work day, and it was only by great good fortune that I was able to get into New York for the game Saturday. They are utilizing every minute of flying time, and when we aren't flying we are repairing. I had a wonderful eight weeks of training in the ground school. It is indeed intensive, and I never learned so much in so short a period of time.

Flying is a great game, also the factor of danger is comparatively small if one doesn't get fancy and is efficient. Landings are the hardest and this is where most machines are damaged. We had a 75 mile-a-minute gale here last week, and lost three planes and a hangar, about $100,000 damage.

I expect that when we freeze up I'll be transferred to Miami, Fla. Mudge is at Pensacola, though I imagine that he will be soon transferred, because Pensacola was put out of commission by a 135-mile gale last week."

Notice

The Hop Committee specially requests, in view of the war, that hacks be entirely eliminated next Wednesday at the annual dance.

MIDD SURPRISES BOSTON COLLEGE

MAKES HEAVY OPPONENTS HUSTLE TO WIN 31 TO 6

First Team to Score on Bostonians This Year

Charles Brickley's Boston College eleven had its hands full on Saturday defeating Middlebury at Alumni Field, Newton, by the score of 31 to 6. Although outweighed considerably Midd put up a hard fight and gave her opponents a big surprise when, in the third period on straight football, she put the ball behind their goal. That was the first time this season that the wearers of the Maroon and Gold had to suffer such humiliation. What had been looked forward to as a good practice game for Boston College's battle with the Army next week turned out to be a real game in which Middlebury made the Bostonians fight all the way and during the entire second half caused them a lot of worry.

As was the case in all the other games this season Midd started off poorly and Boston College soon had the ball over the Blue and White goal line. This, instead of discouraging the Middlebury eleven put the old fight into them and it was a different team that stood the heavy attack of the Boston backfield during the remainder of the game. Fiztpatrick kicked off behind Midd's goal line. After trying to break through the Boston College line Parker decided to punt and as he kicked his foot slipped and the ball only went to the 30 yard line. Fitzpatrick and White then made some short gains followed by a long run by Horrigan, who brought the ball to the 17 yard line. On two more rushes the ball was on Midd's one yard line and with their backs against the wall the Blue team fought like fury. On the next play Horrigan fumbled and Murnane, who played a brilliant game for Midd, grabbed the ball and brought it back to the nine yard mark. Parker then kicked to mid-field and after a long forward pass Fitzpatrick scored on a play through the line.

Midd then tried a number of forward passes but could not gain. Horrigan brought Parker's punt back to mid-field and by using straight line smashes White went over for the third touchdown. Middlebury then missed a grand opportunity to score when, after the kick-off, Bower and Murnane tore through the Boston College line for gain after gain and playing a fine forward pass Parker to Mead brought the ball to the thirty yard line. Smith intercepted a pass and brought the ball back to the forty yard line.

In the third period Midd opened with a rush and by the use of the forward pass and shift plays soon had the ball on the 55 yard line. "Brainy" then tore through the Boston team and after a run of 55 yards planted the pigskin behind the Boston goal. The Boston College eleven fought furiously when they found their goal line in danger but they could not stop the Midd backfield. After trying to penetrate the Midd line Smith attempted

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Show Your Colors

Last spring the students presented to the faculty a petition to put the subscription to The Campus on the term bill. This petition was signed by nearly all the students then in college. Every man is privileged to stand for his own belief, nor is one expected to support a cause in which he has not faith.

When the document was signed we assumed that it was done so in good faith, yet the results show an attidude of carelessness on the part of a large number who subscribed their names. The Campus is being published weekly at no small expenditure of energy and money, and the change in frequency of publication was based on the granting of the aforesaid petition.

Show your colors, Prove to us that you meant what you said. The Campus is sorely in debt and cannot be run on sentiment and the exertion of a few. If the issue is to be maintained, the students, who are the publishers of this weekly, must support their organ.

Athletic Tax

The number of football games played on Porter Field each college year averages four. Of these there is almost invariably one cancelled. This year but two home games were played.

In view of these facts does not two dollars and a half seem an exhorbitant price for the women of the college to pay as an athletic tax?

It must also be remembered that the women possess an Athletic Association of their own which is supported with no assistance from the men. Does it seem fair to ask the women to pay so large a portion toward the support of the men's organization under these circumstances?

"Why Go to Middlebury"

I am preparing a booklet for distribution to prospective students. I want this to be from the student's point of view. For that reason I am asking those students who would be glad to help, to hand to me as soon as they conveniently can, a brief statement in writing of one or more reasons for attending Middlebury. Please sign the statement. To make it will be a genuine service to the College at this time. The more I have the better.

F. W. CADY.

Corrections to Roll of Honor

Boyce, Eugene F. '17
Marine Barracks, Indian Head, Md.

Caldwell, Capt. David C. '05
Pier 38, South Wharves, Quartermaster's Overseas Depot, Philadelphla, Pa.

Chalmers, Robert B. '17
Sec. 511, U. S. A. Ambulance Corps, Tobyhanna, Pa.

Courtney, Gerald F. '20
1st Sec., 2nd Co., Aeronautic School, Pensacola, Fla.

Gammell, Harold B. '17
Marine Barracks, Indian Head, Md.

Lord, Edgar L. '18
33d Co., 9th Battalion, 151st Depot Brigade, Camp Devens, Mass.

Salisbury, Donald W. '16
Headquarters A. E. F., Army P. O. 706, care Y. M. C. A., France.

Seltzer, Serg't Charles R. ex-'17
Medical Dep't. Co. D., Fort Ethan Allen, Vt.

Spooner, Isaac B. ex-'19
U. S. N., 4 Adams St., Charlestown, Mass., Navy yard.

Wheelock, Guy. E. '18
17 Tennyson Road, Somerville, Mass.

Annual Banquet of Chi Psi

Alpha Mu of Chi Psi held its 74th annual banquet at the Lodge, Thursday night, November 15. A number of alumni were present. L. H. Ross '90 presided as toastmaster. Toasts were responded to by L. C. Russell '97, S. S. Eddy '94, D. W. Reid '18, L. B. Towers '19, E. E. Ross '20, and G. A. Swan '21. This is the first time in some years that the banquet has been held at the Lodge and all indications point to a precedent established.

ALUMNI NOTES

'64. The present address of J. W. Burnham is 2000 Welton St., Denver, Col.

'04. Louis C. Squire of Council Bluffs, Iowa, was in town for two or three days recently.

'11. Robert R. Twitchell, now a lawyer of Bellows Falls, was a Sunday visitor at the Kappa Delta Rho house.

'11. Carmen R. Walker is to continue her father's insurance business under the name of the Frank A. Walker Agency.

Ex-'15 and '14. Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Kavanaugh are the parents of a daughter, Helen Patricia, born October 31, at Middlebury.

'16. Joseph W. Howe of Valatie, N. Y., visited friends in town last week. Mr. Mr. Howe was on his way from Byng Inlet, Ontario, where he has been employed for the past year, to New York, where he has a position with the General Electric Company.

'17. Helen Simms of Groton, Mass., and Lieut. Arthur Vaughn of Camp Devens were the guests of college friends Saturday and Sunday, November 10 and 11.

'17. Harold Damon and Darrell Butterfield, who are in the Harvard Radio School, were in town Sunday, November 11.

'17. K. W. Davis, who is at the Harvard Radio School, and Arthur Vaughn, who was recently commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Officers' Reserve Corps, visited friends in College on Sunday, November 11.

'17. Katherine Ball, who had accepted the position of instructor in History and Civics in the Windsor High School, was taken seriously ill the first of September at her home in Winchester, N. H. About the middle of September she was taken to the Wesson Memorial Hospital in Springfield, Mass., where she was operated upon for appendicitis. She is still confined to her bed there.

COLLEGE NOTES

John R. Harvey '20 has been pledged to the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity.

Guy Christian was elected captain of the senior track team, November 8.

Harriet Goudie has been chosen freshman member of the Civics Club council.

Howard Watson '19 has recently entered the employ of the college book store as clerk.

On November 10, Lester N. Allyn received his commission as 1st Lieutenant in the regular Army. He had been serving as 2nd Lieutenant since September 1.

Roscoe E. Dake '18 has received his final summons for military service. He will report for duty on Friday, and will be stationed at Camp Devens.

Edgar L. Lord '18, who was drafted early in the fall, went to Camp Devens last week. His address is 151st Depot Brigade, 9th Battalion, 33rd Company, Camp Devens, Mass.

President Thomas, Dean Wright and Professor Abbott were Middlebury's representatives at the annual meeting of the New England Association of Colleges at Trinity College Friday and Saturday, November 9 and 10.

Marguerite Jones '18 and Margaret Shay '19 left November 14 to attend the annual Student Government Conference at Syracuse, N. Y. As we go to press they have not returned. An account of the conference will be given in next weeks issue.

"Ham" Bartlett' 18, captain of last spring's baseball team, has been called to the National Draft Army and will leave Middlebury tomorrow for Camp Devens. This means that the only members of last spring's team now in college are Parker and Crippen, both pitchers.

Fred E. Jewett of the freshman class is in the Mary Fletcher Hospital recovering from an operation for appendicitis. This "little feller" has been sickly ever since he came to Middlebury, but now we trust he will have a speedy recovery and be among us again soon.

Stanley Wright '18, who has taken a course of instruction at the Mass. Institute of Technology Aviation School, was a week-end visitor at the home of his parents in Middlebury. He spent a few hours at the coilege. "Stan" reports that he is to sail for France in a few days, and there will complete his course of instruction in flying.

Jacob Deufel, who was injured two weeks ago by the accidental discharge of an automatic revolver in his room at Hepburn Hall, is reported as recovering rapidly. The wound was a bad one, the bullet entering the arm at the wrist and following the bone to a point three inches above the elbow. At present "Jake" is at his home in Long Island City, N. Y.

Tuesday, November 13, President Thomas went to Boston on business in connection with the endowment fund. Friday he was at Camp Devens for "College Day" when the college presidents of New England gathered at the camp and held a reception for the college students who are in training there. Saturday afternoon he and his daughter, Miss Huldah Thomas '17, attended the football game between Middlebury and Boston College. Mr. and Mrs. Wiley accompanied President Thomas on his trip.

A wheatless day has been announced at the Battell Cottage dining room.

At the last Y. W. C. A. cabinet meeting it was voted that the president of the Silver Bay Club should become a member of that body. Elsie Monteith now fills this position.

The War Service Committee has an office of its own now on the first floor of South Painter hall. Office hours are held every afternoon except Monday and Saturday from five to six.

Wednesday, Novemher 7, the sophomore men met and elected Joseph Kasper captain of the class track team. Emerson Ross was elected manager at the same meeting.

At the first meeting of the Home Economics club held this year the following officers were elected: Christine Webster, president; Helen Paine, vice-president; Helen Stilphen, secretary-treasurer; Bessie Jennings, chairman of the executive committee.

The first of a series of "bean suppers", which are being given by the faculty ladies, was held at the home of Mrs. Raymond White on the evening of November 13, at 7 o'clock. Twenty-two ladies sat down to the tables, which were prettily lighted by candles.

The Song Book Committee has invested the $100 in its treasury in a Liberty Bond. It was decided that under present conditions it would be neither wise nor profitable to publish the proposed book, and that the money would be of some use if it were loaned to the nation at this time.

Tuesday evening, November 6, the men of the freshman class held a meeting in Hepburn social hall and elected officers for some of the athletic teams: Captain of track, Lorimer H. Brown; manager of track, Kenneth M. Preston; manager of basketball, Frank H. Mercer. It was decided to leave the matter of electing a captain of the basketball team to the members of the team after the season gets under way.

At the meeting of the Sophomore Hop committee held last week in the old chapel it was decided to give the the Hop, but to make it as inexpensive as possible. No new decorations will be purchased and simple refreshments will be served. Vittum's orchestra will furnish music. It is hoped that there will be large proceeds as the class is planning to give any surplus it may receive to the Student Friendship War Fund.

A joint meeting of the Women's Musical Association and the Musegehe Club was held Monday afternoon at 4:30 in Pearsons social hall. The purpose of the gathering was to discuss plans for a musical entertainment to be given later. Professor Hathaway was present and suggested possible programs. It was decided that Louise Reynolds, president of the Musical Association, should appoint a committee to plan the program. This committee is as follows: Margaret Harris, Dorothy Nash, and Helen Stilphen.

Miss Throop at Mills College

Miss Suzanne E. Throop, who was Dean of Women during 1913—15, is Professor of English in Mills College, California. At the present time she is doing extensive lecturing on the war, by special invitation, through southern California.

Middlebury Appeals to the Alumni for Support in War Service

Owing to the rapid expansion of the work of the War Service Committee, and the increasing needs of our men in uniform, an urgent call for alumni support has been issued. Will you do your part? Following is the letter:

TO THE MIDDLEBURY ALUMNI:

Last July a circular letter was sent out telling of the proposed activities of the Middlebury War Service Committee and asking for contributions. That preliminary canvass of the alumni brought in $232.35, which sum increased by the contributions of students and faculty has enabled the committee to organize and effectively carry on its work as outlined in the July letter.

The first task of the committee was to prepare a list of the Middlebury men in service. By hard work it has obtained the names and addresses of one hundred and sixty men and the list is still growing.

Since the beginning of the college year The Campus has been sent regularly to all the men on our list. A personal letter has also been written to each one of them by some member of the committee and provision has been made for frequent interchange of letters. Papers, magazines, clippings, etc., are being forwarded. That the men appreciate this interest is evident from letters received. Here are a few extracts:

"I read The Campus from cover to cover with intense interest."

"Your letters help us bear our burdens all the better and give us a greater determination to see this thing through to the end."

"Success to the committee. Its service will never be forgotten. The boys at the front are watching the folks back h me and anything good the folks do will greatly help toward bringing US the victory."

By means of this personal relation the committee is learning of many needs. There have been calls for sweaters, helmets, socks, Red Cross kits, etc. It has also been learned through various channels that one of the most insistent longings of the camp men is for a taste of home cooking.

Some of these needs have already been supplied and the committee is doing its best to meet them all. The women of the college have organized to do the needed knitting. They are also planning to cheer the boys by samples of home cooking.

It is the universal testimony of men in service that the evidences of personal interest on the part of the home folks make them better soldiers. It is easy for men herded together away from home to fall into the don't care attitude and stoop to things they never think of at home. It is no secret that all too many of those who have gone at the call of our country to help make the world safe for democracy have yielded to the worst influences of camp life to the extent that they are no longer helpers, but have become a positive menace to the cause. Immorality among our soldiers is a powerful ally of Germany. Not only for the sake of the men but also for the sake of the effectiveness of democracy's armies we must do everything in our power to make the men feel our personal interest and appreciation, to hold them true to their higher instincts, and to stimulate their consecration to the high cause which it is their privilege to serve.

That it may carry forward its work along these lines, the committee has found it necessary to undertake a financial campaign. This campaign is driving toward two objectives:

1. To obtain funds for immediate use.

The present need for money is urgent. Will you not help? Send what you can NOW to the treasurer, Miss Ruth M. Bryant.

As you are considering what to give or whether you can give at all, remember that last week the students and faculty of your college pledged $2400 to the Friendship Fund of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A.

2. To establish a working basis for securing funds in the future.

It is more than probable that the war will last for a considerable period yet. Other calls for funds will quite likely be necessary. It would greatly facilitate the work of the committee to have on file the names of those who are willing to give it financial backing. Accompanying this letter is a card which will make it easy for you to signify your willingness in this direction. There is nothing binding about it. You simply indicate to the committee your desire to be informed when more money is needed.

Will you not enroll your name among those who desire to stand by to help our Middlebury men as long as the need exists?

First and foremost, then, we ask you to help now.

Secondly, we ask those who are interested in following our work further to signify the fact on the enclosed card.

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these men, and to some who were aroused as our group of boisterous Americans entered we gave cigarettes. Some didn't even seem to have the strength to hold a cigarette, yet they looked on as if they wanted something, and were glad of any little thing to give them pleasure; for these men had just come out of the trenches, and of this hell that has raged three long years. They were to go *en repos* for ten days and then back again.

We left this station at 3:30 and traveled third class to Paris which took us until ten o'clock Sunday afternoon. We stayed in Paris four days then went into training at (here the censor butted in),in the valley of the Marne for one week. From there we were sent again into Paris for a few days to join our section, which is 65. This section was a section which had seen actual service at Chemin-des-Dames since May and has been cited as a section for the Croix-de Guerre. It had come into headquarters to be re-organized and to be given new workers. I joined this section with ten other new men, and left Paris on September 21 for a trip of 125 miles thru a beautiful part of France. We traveled in convoy of 24 machines and stayed the first night at (censor again). Here I saw the statue of Urbion II, which is situated on a hill overlooking a "carrion" camp of 600 machines. The next day we traveled about 25 miles to——— where we camped four days. From there we went to ———and were assigned to the 46th division of chasseurs (Blue Devils of France). This division was *en repos* for ten days, and during that time I did evacuation work at base hospitals about 18 kilometres back of the lines. My first sight of the wounded made me feel sick, and I am not afraid to own up to it, for even the stretcher bearers never get used to it themselves. There were men that had lost arms and legs, just as they had been taken from the Post Secours, and had only received the first aid. Even after first aid had been administered to them they were horrible sights. All I could think of was Germans, and oh how I regretted that I had ever spent a minute looking up one word of that language; but let me say here, I hope this feeling of mine will leave me, for one can't or should not make known his feelings. But to see these human beings so mangled and maimed for life raised a hatred in me for that "Allemand" race. The faces of these men often come before me and I suppose it is because they were the first ones I had seen that looked so terrible.

After I had spent my first 48 hours on duty I rested and looked after my machine which must always be ready to go at any time of the day or night. I walked over to the old Notre Dame church which was built in the 14th century and half destroyed during the French Revolution. As I was walking down one of the aisles, several French soldiers entered and went through their prayers and songs as if this church was in some city or town. It was very pathetic to me, for the men never know when they can enter any church again, and they only live for the few hours they have on leave. Such sights and many similar ones that you see through all the quaint little French hamlets all help to make you feel the sadness and the awfulness of the war. Thousands of widows were seen in mourning with the pictures of their husbands hanging on gold lockets around their necks to show he died for France. O, Friends! It changes a man to see these things, to see them often daily, to pass a field or orchard and have it marked with little black crosses, all signifying another human soul gone for France. These things make you feel the seriousness of life, and no man can ever be the same that has seen this. And as for me, I wouldn't have missed coming to France for all I ever hope to own. I could write you pages of the many pathetic scenes I have witnessed, and only wish I had the power of writing to bring before you the massiveness of this great struggle.

During my stay at ——— Boche aeroplanes flew over our cantonment two nights and dropped bombs near our headquarters and in the little town of Notre Dame. Several people were killed, some of them being children. It was entirely a very uncomfortable situation to be in, and when the shrapnel began to burst over our heads, I ran and found refuge under a truck loaded with wood, peering out as often as I dared. Huge searchlights were playing into the skies trying to locate the planes, but this never does any good. These air raids are very common on bright nights, and now I have become accustomed to them I don't bother to run, for it is all a matter of chance where a bomb will strike. I was in ——— and several other places for fifteen days, and then moved to X. At present, my section is *en repos*, and we are awaiting

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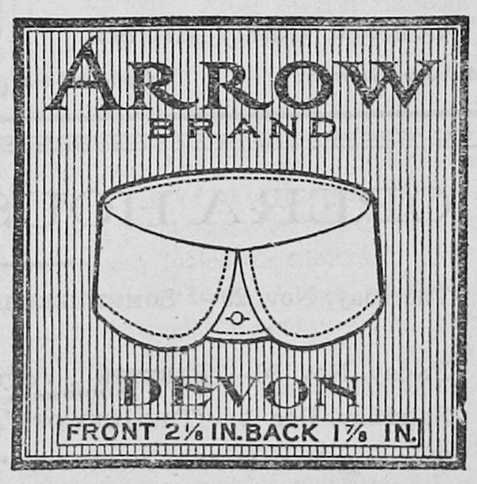

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AMERICANS ASLEEP, SAYS TAYLOR

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orders to move. I might add here that although we are at present fifteen kilometers back of the lines, the barrage fires shake my car and are almost continuous throughout the night. Both armies shell a great deal at night to keep each other from moving under cover of darkness. No person can realize what one of those barrage fires is like until they hear, for the earth fairly trembles beneath you.

To show a little of what a great undertaking this is to feed and transport munitions to such a vast number of men, I will point to this one scene that made such an impression on me. As 200 five-ton Pierce Arrow trucks were hauling logs, steel, and all kinds of munitions en route to ——— I stood by the side of the road and watched that string of "carrions" until I thought I should have to go on before the end came. Some of the trucks were hauling, beside their huge loads, cannons, and shells for the same, painted like wall-paper to help hide them from the aeroplanes. One friend of mine told me last week that he counted over five hundred big guns parked near X, and said he had been working from four o'clock in the morning until eleven at night for three days just driving in convoy, which of course means with many other trucks.

I only wish I could tell you all I know about this great problem and the ideas the people here have of the duration of the war. At present I am staying at the Grand Hotel de Pavillion, which has been taken over by the Y. M. C. A., and is at the disposal of American army and navy men. I had a forty-eight hour's permission given me, and was glad to get a chance to really *eat* again. Last evening I attended a fine chicken dinner, typically American, and a smoker given by the Y. M. C. A. I ate dinner and spent a very pleasant evening with Mr. McCall, a representative from the Estey Organ people of Vermont, and one of the men who helped sell the organ in Mead Memorial Chapel. He is here on business for some private parties doing reconstruction work in France. It is very interesting to meet people from the States, for most always they know some of your friends or relatives and are glad even to talk English again. I will be here until Saturday morning, then will leave for the cantonment of 65. Our section will be at the front before October 25th, and I will have to say that I am afraid my Thanksgiving will not be so pleasant as it was last year in Hepburn Hall; but after we all get together we keep busy in order to forget the good times we might be having in the States. My next leave will come January 21st, and then I am going to Nice for six days with my pal, Al. LaPlante, former Williams football star.

I read the Springfield Republican which comes to one of our men, and one number gave Midd's football schedule which I was glad to get. By the way, LaPlante and I have a real bet on the Williams-Middlebury game. I wish all success in the world to the new students this year, and hope the faculty can keep all the old students in college to finish out their courses.

With best wishes for the success of my old friends, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,
(Signed) WILLARD G. TAYLOR '20.

Send-Off For Drafted Men

The college band will lead a parade of students to the depot tomorrow to join in the send-off of twelve men from Addison County to take the place of an equal number who were sent home because of physical disability.

MIDD SURPRISES BOSTON COLLEGE

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a field goal but failed. The Maroon and Gold made their last score in the final period when Midd fumbled on the forty-five yard line, Ryan recovering it and on a fake pass Smith took it over.

Middlebury emerged from the game covered with glory because of the game fight they put up against the powerful football machine which Brickley has gotten together at Boston College. Boston College is recognized as having one of the strongest teams in the country this year and it took Middlebury to show them that their goal line could be crossed. Every man on the Blue eleven played a good clean hard game and closed the football season of 1917 with an exhibition which every Midd man can be proud of.

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Meade	le,	Urban, Madden
Parker, Bower	qb,	Fitzgerald, White
Murnane	rhb,	Scanlon, Smith
Bower, Tatro	lhb,	Fitzpatrick, Hanlon
Keppler,	fb,	White, Ryan

Referee:—Laughlin of Harvard.
Umpire:—Crowley of English High.
Head linesman:—Schoppelly of Dartmouth.

Delta Delta Delta

Alpha Iota Chapter of Delta Delta Delta, together with their pledges, gave a tea Friday afternoon from 4:00 to 6:00 at Pearsons Hall in honor of their national president, Miss R. Louise Fitch. Miss Wood, Miss Fitch, Miss Ross, Elizabeth Johnson and Louise Norris received. Miss Oliver and Miss Graham poured. The hall was prettily decorated with pine.

The chapter initiated Alice Corttis '20, Frances Wiley '21, Janet M. Taylor '21 and Mildred Cann '21, late Saturday afternoon. After the ceremony the chapter, together with its guests enjoyed dinner and a pleasant social evening at The Addison. Miss R. Louise Fitch was the guest of honor.

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